

METRO ARTS

Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission

July 2007

From the Executive Director:

Mark your calendars now and plan to join us at the dedication of the FIRST public art installation for Davidson County. The *Ghost Ballet for the East Bank Machineworks* by Alice Aycock will be dedicated on July 26 at 10:00 am, with the artist and Mayor Purcell in attendance. This exciting event joins Nashville to a number of cities across the country that have embraced public art - cities like Philadelphia, Seattle, Charlotte, Chicago, Portland, New York, Phoenix and many others. This will be a great celebration you won't want to miss.

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Important Dates:

July 15 Arts Alert Deadline

Those wishing to submit material for the next Arts Alert e-newsletter should email arts@nashville.gov with "AA Submission" in the subject line.

July 17 Executive Committee Meeting

11:30 AM, Metro Office Building, 4th Floor, Public Art Room

July 19 Metro Nashville Arts Commission Meeting and FY08 Grants Announcements

12:00 PM, Metro Office Building, 2nd Floor, Davidson Room

July 19 Metro Arts Gallery Exhibit Opening Reception

2:00 - 4:30 PM

Metro Arts Gallery, 800 2nd Ave. South, 4th Floor
Come out and view the latest exhibit at the Metro Arts Gallery featuring original works by local artists Jairo Prado and Melissa Kennedy. Light refreshments will be provided. Please see below for more information on the Metro Arts Gallery exhibition schedule.

July 26 Dedication of Nashville's First Public Art Installation, *The Ghost Ballet for the East Bank Machineworks*

10:00 AM

Shelby Street Pedestrian Bridge

By July 26, the *Ghost Ballet for the East Bank Machineworks* will have landed lightly on old crane rail remnants, honoring the history of the working river and celebrating the future of the riverfront. Please join Mayor Bill Purcell and artist Alice Aycock to commemorate Nashville's first percent for public art sculpture. Light refreshments will be provided.

September 3 Cultural Executives Network

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Location TBA

Cultural Executives Network meetings will resume in September.



Support the Arts... Bolt 'em to your car!

Metro Nashville Arts Commission programs are funded in part by the Tennessee Arts Commission.



"Immobilized" by Featured Artist Laura E. Chenicek

Welcome one of Nashville's newest [Artist Registry](#) participants. Click [here](#) to visit the [Registry](#) on line.

New to the Registry:

Shella Caspino
Laura E. Chenicek
Martin Coffeen
Bonnie Yockman
Randy Toy
Peach McComb
Rosalia Morton

Arts Directory

Click [here](#) to visit the [Arts Directory](#), a guide to Nashville's arts organizations. Update your organization's listing or add a listing [here](#).

This month's feature:

[Cloud 12 Gallery](#)

The hip new Cloud 12 Art Gallery, along with the neighboring Wonders on Woodland and Back East, features an eclectic collections of art, antiques, vintage costume jewelry and

Grants Update:

The Metro Arts Commission's grants program has recently completed its panel evaluations for its FY08 process. MNAC's Grants and Awards Committee met on June 14th where preliminary allocations were presented to the Committee. The Committee will meet again on Wednesday, July 11 at 11:30am to finalize the grant allocations. The final decisions will be presented to the Executive Committee July 17, then to the full Commission on July 19 for final approval. Awards will be announced at the July 19 Commission meeting. If you have a question or concern please contact Jonathan Saad, Grants Program Manager at 862-6744 or jonathan.saad@nashville.gov.

Grant Opportunities:

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA): Grants for Arts Projects *Deadline: August 13*

The NEA's FY08 grants for arts projects are available for arts organizations requesting funding for a specific project in a variety of disciplines. Categories range from arts education to museums, and from local arts agencies to state and regional agencies. For more information or to apply, visit the [NEA website](#).

Community Enhancement Grants *Deadline: August 15*

The State of Tennessee has \$20 million in grant money currently available through the newly-established Community Enhancement Grant Program. Eligible activities include Educational Initiatives, Cultural Activities and Community Development Activities. The grants are available to government agencies and nonprofit organizations. For more information, click [here](#) or contact Judy Bond-McKissack at (615) 741-2819 or via [email](#).

Metro Arts Gallery Local Art Exhibition Schedule:

Metro Arts has invited artists participating in MNAC's [Artist Registry](#) to exhibit artworks in the public area of the office, which is a high-vaulted and light-filled space on the fourth floor of the Metro Office Building.

July - November 2007: Jairo Prado and Melissa Kennedy

November 2007 - March 2008: Greg Hester and Joe Sorci

National Teaching Artist Compensation Survey

The Association of Teaching Artists (ATA) is trying to reach as many teaching artists as possible to complete its survey on teaching artists and compensation. ATA is looking for baseline information to help teaching artists throughout the country who contact ATA with questions about pay scales and who sets fees. For more information, contact Arts Education Manager John Abodeely at jabodeely@artsusa.org or click [here](#) to take the survey now.

Events, Conferences & Workshops:

September 26-29 *Performing Arts Exchange 2007*
Louisville, KY

This event will feature networking opportunities, information on accessibility issues and skill-building activities. PAE Louisville will engage leaders in the

interesting collectables.

New to the

Directory:

Cloud 12 Gallery
Richter Gallery of Photography
Project A

ArtLinks

Click [here](#) to visit Metro Arts' ArtLinks page for a variety of arts resources. Also see below for useful web sites.

This month's feature:
[The Web Gallery of Art](#)

The Web Gallery of Art is a virtual museum and searchable database of European painting and sculpture of the Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque periods. Commentaries on pictures, biographies of artists are available.

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For accomodation requests, please contact: Teri McElhane, ADA Compliance Coordinator
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presenting and touring field to share best practices, present innovations and facilitate provocative dialogue through the National Arts Leadership Institute workshops. For more information, visit www.southarts.org.

October 12-13 *Technology in the Arts Conference*
Pittsburgh, PA

The goal of this conference is to be a resource for the arts community, sparking dialogue around the role of technology in our planning and programming, discussing best practices as well as lessons learned, and providing hands-on, practical skills where possible. For more information, visit www.technologyinthearts.org.

November 2-5 *2007 National Arts Marketing Conference - Flourishing in the New Frontier: New Media, New Audiences, New Opportunities*
Miami, FL

This conference presented by Americans for the Arts focuses on technology and new audiences, along with the latest research in the field. Learn about new media from RSS to podcasts, blogging, texting, optimizing email, e-commerce, web sites and search engines. All this to reach every age, ethnicity and race in the marketplace. The conference will also cover direct marketing, branding and relevant messaging. Click [here](#) for more information.

Calls to Artists:

Art, Music and Culture Festivals at Centennial Park

Nashville, TN

Metro Parks is seeking craftspeople and visual artists interested in selling original craft and art works at various art, music and culture festivals to be held in Centennial Park. "Live Along the Lake" will be held on Labor Day, and "Celebration of Cultures" October 6-7. For more information, contact Brenda McSurley at (615) 862-8442 or brenda.mcsurley@nashville.gov.

Driven: Juried Exhibition for Young Artists with Disabilities *Deadline: July 6*

Washington, D.C.

This juried exhibition is open to young artists with disabilities between the ages of 16-25 and is sponsored by VSA Arts. The grand prize award is \$20,000 and there are more award categories for runners-up. Selected artwork will be part of an exhibition in October of 2007 at the S. Dillon Ripley Center of the Smithsonian Institution and will then tour throughout the United States for approximately two years. At the end of this two-year period, artwork that is not purchased will be returned to the artists. Click [here](#) for more information.

Fiber Focus 2007 *Deadline: July 7*

St. Louis, MO

This nine-state regional juried exhibition is hosted by Art Saint Louis and is open to artists 21 years and older living in Missouri and the 8 bordering states: IL, KY, TN, AR, OK, NE, IA, KS. Entries must present contemporary artwork in any FIBER media or combination of fiber media. Other media may be incorporated if the central or key element explored is clearly fiber or fiber technique. Exhibition will take place September 10 - October 18 at the Art Saint Louis main gallery in downtown St. Louis, MO. For more information, visit www.artstlouis.org or email robin@artstlouis.net.

Tennessee Art League's Premiere Gallery

08/09 Season *Deadline: August 1*

Nashville, TN

Open to all artists residing in Tennessee 18 years of age

and older. Winning artists will receive a two-month exhibit and an evening reception. Entry fee is \$35. For more information, call (615) 736-5000.

Nashville Jewish Film Festival's Kathryn H. Gutow Student Film Competition *Deadline:*

September 26

Nashville, TN

The Kathryn H. Gutow Student Film Competition has opened a call for submissions for the 2007 Nashville Jewish Film Festival. Finalists selected will be screened at the festival November 3-8 at the Belcourt Theatre. For more information or a list of requirements, visit www.templenashville.org/_njff/.

Art Buzz - The 2008 Collection *Deadline:*

September 30

This competition is open to visual artists 18 and older worldwide who work in any visual art media. Art Buzz is a fine quality, full color large format book that is scheduled for release in the fall of 2007. Art Buzz will be distributed internationally, giving artists worldwide exposure! For more information, visit www.artbuzz.org.

Art Education/Classes:

Open Studio with Murat Kaboulov *LeQuire Gallery & Studio*

June 5 - August 28

This class gives the student an opportunity to capture proportion and structure of the human figure with the model changing poses every few minutes. Murat will instruct using pencil, charcoal and pastel. Call (615) 298-4611.

Tuesdays, 5:30 - 8:30PM

No Registration, \$25/session

Collage Workshop *Tennessee Art League*

July 19 - 21

This workshop will be taught by Shirley Eley Nachtrieb, a signature member of the International Society of Experimental Artists, the Society of Layerists in Multi-media, the Missouri Watercolor Society and the St. Louis Artists' Guild. Call (615) 736-5000.

9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

\$174.25/TAL Members, \$205.00/Non-members

The Portrait in Oil with Murat Kaboulov *LeQuire Gallery & Studio*

July 24 - 28

Five-day workshop focusing on the traditional techniques of portraiture in oil. Registration required. Call (615) 298-4611.

Capturing a Likeness in Clay with Alan LeQuire *LeQuire Gallery & Studio*

July 31 - August 4

Five-day workshop in which students begin to learn how to accurately observe and render a specific subject.

Registration required. Call (615) 298-4611.

Figure Drawing with Jonathan Bowers *LeQuire Gallery & Studio*

August 7 - 11

Five-day workshop discussing and practicing how to break down the rhythms, gesture and forms involved in portraying the figure. Registration required. Call (615) 298-4611.

The Tennessee Art League has three studios available. Kitchen privileges and parking provided. One year lease is required; one month rent as deposit. Located at 808 Broadway in downtown Nashville. Gallery hours are 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Tuesday - Saturday, and 12:00 Noon - 4:00 PM Sunday. For more information, call 615-736-5000 or email talgalleries@bellsouth.net.

New Health Coverage for Artists!

Go to www.artshealthamerica.org to learn about health coverage for anyone in film/video/TV, dance, theatre, fine arts, music, graphic arts, written and spoken word. This is a safety net for professionals who work on a project-to-project basis, and therefore have found it difficult or impossible to be covered in any sort of corporate or group membership plan. A spectrum of options is available, including lowest cost basic coverage to comprehensive maximum coverage plans, available to individuals, families, organizations and corporations involved in any aspect of the arts. Click [here](#) for more information!

Employment Opportunities:

Marketing Manager *Tennessee Repertory Theatre* Nashville, TN

The marketing area of Tennessee Rep's Audience Development Department is responsible for generating ticket sales and community interest for every production among our current audience, as well as developing new and diverse audiences, including publicizing and promoting education and outreach programs. For more information, visit [Tennessee Rep on line](#).

Development Assistant *Tennessee Repertory Theatre* Nashville, TN

This position requires strong writing skills, be accurate and detail-oriented, but should specifically demonstrate a genuine interest in the variety of the development field's concepts, practices and procedures as related to work with individuals, corporations, foundations (including sponsorships), government and other agencies. For more information, visit [Tennessee Rep on line](#).

Adjunct Instructors *Volunteer State Community College* Gallatin, TN

The Volunteer State Community College Visual and Performing Arts Department is seeking adjunct instructors for 3D-Design, Ceramics and Art Appreciation. Artists must hold an MA or MFA. These are all foundation level classes in next Fall and Spring semesters. Strong program offers University Parallel courses in the arts as well. For more information, contact Sue Mulcahy at sue.mulcahy@volstate.edu or Claire Hampton at (615) 230-3220.

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